

Claim 25 has been added. Support for Claim 25 may be found, for example, at Page 18, lines 6-8 of the application. Accordingly, the new claim is fully supported by the specification.

Claims 6-8, 10, 19 and 20 have been amended to correct their dependencies in view of the cancellation of claims (e.g., Claim 1) and the addition of Claim 25. Accordingly, the claim amendments are fully supported.

Claims 6-8, 10-22 and 25 will remain after amendment.

Election/Restriction

The Office states that the Applicants are required under PCT Rule 13.1 to elect a single inventive concept selected from the following groups:

- 2.I. Claims 1-22, drawn to variants of KGF-2, polynucleotides encoding said variants, vectors comprising said polynucleotides, host cells transfected with said vectors and a method of producing said variants.
- 2.II. Claims 23-24, drawn to a method of stimulating the production of epithelial cells, comprising contacting such cells with an effective amount of a variant of KGF-1.

In response to a restriction requirement, Applicants' attorney hereby elects to prosecute the invention of Group 2.I., drawn to variants of KGF-2, polynucleotides encoding said variants, vectors comprising said polynucleotides, host cells transfected with said vectors and a method of producing said variants.

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The present application is in condition for allowance, and an early notification to that effect is earnestly solicited.



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- ☒ 1. This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.821.825. Applicant's attention is directed to these regulations, published at 114 29, May 15, 1990 and at 55 FR 18230, May 1, 1990.
- ☒ 2. This application does not contain, as a separate part of the disclosure on paper copy, a "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 CFR 1.821(c).
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2 pp Transmittal Letter
2 pp Combined Declaration for Patent Application and Power of Attorney
4 pp Recordation Form Cover Sheet w/ Assignment
17 pp Attorney Statement with paper copy of sequence listing
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